

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Executive Office of Health and Human Services**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED NEW AND RESCINDED REGULATIONS**

Under the authority of M.G.L. c. 118E and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) proposes the rescission of 101 CMR 17.00: *Unified Planning Teams* and the simultaneous adoption of 101 CMR 27.00: *Interagency Review of Complex Cases*.

EOHHS proposes to promulgate 101 CMR 27.00 as a new regulation to implement the recent amendments to MGL c. 6A, § 16R included in the Act Addressing Barriers to Care for Mental Health, St. 2022, c. 177, § 3. These recent amendments establish an Interagency Review Team (IRT) to review and make recommendations regarding certain complex cases where there is a need for urgent action due to a lack of consensus between state agencies about current service needs or placement for individuals under the age of 22.

EOHHS proposes to rescind 101 CMR 17.00: *Unified Planning Teams* because the IRT process required under the recent statutory amendments replaces the Unified Planning Teams set forth in 101 CMR 17.00.

All persons desiring to submit data, views, or arguments concerning these proposed actions may submit them in writing to EOHHS, c/o D. Briggs, MassHealth Publications, 100 Hancock Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Quincy, MA 02171, or email them to [ehs-regulations@mass.gov](mailto:ehs-regulations@mass.gov). Emailed comments should contain the sender's name, mailing address, and organization or affiliation, if any. Comments will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 20, 2023.

All persons desiring to review the current draft of the proposed actions may go to [www.mass.gov/service-details/executive-office-of-health-and-human-services-public-notices](http://www.mass.gov/service-details/executive-office-of-health-and-human-services-public-notices) or request a copy in writing or in person from MassHealth Publications, 100 Hancock Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Quincy, Massachusetts 02171.

EOHHS may adopt a revised version of the proposed actions taking into account relevant comments and any other practical alternatives that come to EOHHS's attention.

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